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REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION DATED OCTOBER 6, 2003

Dear Sir:

Favorable reconsideration of the above-identified patent application is respectfully requested in view of the amendments and comments below. The Commissioner is authorized to charge a one-month extension of \$110.00 to Deposit Account No.50-1063 [MSFTP214US].